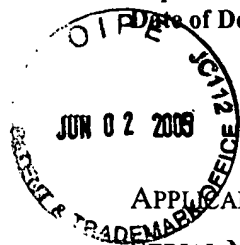


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Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 134(a), Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Examiner's February 2, 2005 Office Action finally rejecting the claims in the above-identified application. A check (# 20611) in the amount of \$250.00 for filing this Appeal is enclosed herewith as required under 37 C.F.R. §41.20(b)(1).

Applicants have concurrently filed a petition and fee for a one-month extension of time. With the extension, the Notice of Appeal is due on or before June 2, 2005.

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